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63G-20-201 Provisions governing solemnizing or recognizing a marriage -- Prohibition against employment actions.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a state or local government or a state or local government official may not:

- (1) require a religious official, when acting as such, or religious organization to solemnize or recognize for ecclesiastical purposes a marriage that is contrary to that religious official's or religious organization's religious beliefs;
- (2) if the religious official or religious organization is authorized to solemnize a marriage by Section 30-1-6, deny a religious official, when acting as such, or religious organization the authority to legally solemnize a legal marriage based on the religious official's or religious organization's refusal to solemnize any legal marriage that is contrary to the religious official's or religious organization's religious beliefs;
- (3) require a religious official, when acting as such, or religious organization to provide goods, accommodations, advantages, privileges, services, facilities, or grounds for activities connected with the solemnization or celebration of a marriage that is contrary to that religious official's or religious organization's religious beliefs; or
- (4) require a religious official, when acting as such, or religious organization to promote marriage through religious programs, counseling, courses, or retreats in a way that is contrary to that religious official's or religious organization's religious beliefs.

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